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In re Patent Application of:
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For: ESSENTIALLY CHROMIUM-FREE METHOD
FOR PASSIVATING METALLIC SURFACES
CONSISTING OF ZN, ZN ALLOYS, AL OR
AL ALLOYS

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AMENDMENT WITH RCE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.114

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated March 16, 2010, and in consideration of the enclosed Request for Continued Examination, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.